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BIODEGREDABLE RESIN

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Response to Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief

Sir:

This reply is filed in response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief
(Notification) mailed April 12, 2010. As noted in the Notification, Independent Claim 49 was
not included in the Summary of Claimed Subject Matter Section. Independent Claim 49 is not
involved in the present appeal and has been removed from the Appeal Brief.

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